FINANCE/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

02-R-0904

AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN APPROPRIATE CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH MCI/WORLDCOM FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF NECESSARY EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES TO EXPAND THE EXISTING PBX SYSTEM AT THE CITY HALL COMPLEX ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, TELECOMMUNICATIONS DIVISION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY FOUR THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY THREE DOLLARS (\$784,723.00). ALL CONTRACTED WORK SHALL BE CHARGED TO AND PAID FROM FUND, ACCOUNT, CENTER NUMBERS: 1A01 575001 T31002

WHEREAS, the City wishes to enter into an appropriate contract with MCI/WorldCom, the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM), for expansion of the existing PBX system and telephone services at the City Hall Complex; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta owns and operates the PBX and telephone system at the City Hall Complex and as of December 21, 2001, the existing system will no longer be supported. The remote technical support will not be available and the manufacturer will no longer produce the switch or related parts; and

WHEREAS, the City has installed and provided for the operation and maintenance of the PBX system and telephone services, this equipment has been in service for approximately 15 years, and now needs to be upgraded and expanded; and

WHEREAS, MCI/Worldcom is the original designer of the system as well as the original equipment manufacturer of the PBX and telephone system and is uniquely qualified to provide the installation, upgrade, design, manufacture of equipment and delivery, systems testing and over all functions of the PBX and telephone system; and

WHEREAS, the City originally purchased the PBX and telephone system in 1988; and

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Purchasing and Real Estate has certified MCI/Worldcom as the only company qualified to upgrade and expand the existing PBX and telephone system as contemplated by Section 2-1191 of the City Code of Ordinances; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to enter into a contractual agreement with MCI/Worldcom for the purchase and installation of necessary equipment and services to expand the existing PBX system at the City Hall complex on behalf of the Department of Administrative Services, Telecommunications Division in an amount not to exceed Seven Hundred Eighty Four Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Three Dollars (\$784,723.00). All contracted work shall be charged to and paid from Fund, Account, Center Numbers:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of the Bureau of Purchasing and Real Estate be and is hereby directed to prepare an appropriate contractual agreement for execution by the Mayor, to be approved by the City Attorney as to form.

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED, that this agreement shall not become binding on the City and the City shall incur no liability upon same until such contract has been executed by the Mayor and delivered to the contracting party.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that all contracted work shall be charged to and paid from Fund Account and Center numbers: 1A01 575001 T31002



Shirley Franklin MAYOR

CITY OF ATLANTA

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Deborah Scott Brooks
Acting Commissioner

BUREAU OF PURCHASING & REAL ESTATE

Felicia Strong-Whitaker

April 18, 2002

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Deborah Scott Brooks, Acting Commissioner

Department of Administrative Services

FROM:

Felicia Strong-Whitaker

RE:

Sole Source Designation

I am in receipt of your request for sole source designation to MCI/WorldCom, for the upgrade and expansion of the existing PBX System at the City Hall Complex. MCI/WorldCom is the original designer of the system as well as the original equipment manufacturer of the PBX and telephone system. In addition MCI/WorldCom has notified the City that in order to maintain the current warranty on the equipment, it will be necessary for WorldCom to provide the installation, maintenance, and any moves, adds or changes to the system. The system is currently experiencing numerous operational failures.

After conducting a good faith review of the available resources, I have determined that your request meets the provisions of §2-1191, <u>Sole Source Procurement</u>, and that the original designer of the system and original equipment manufacturer MCI/WorldCom, possesses the experience, knowledge and history necessary to provide the upgrades and expansion of the PBX and telephone system.

The Bureau of Purchasing and Real Estate will prepare the appropriate legislation.

If you have any questions please give me a call at (404) 330-6988.